



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/695,679 Confirmation No. 3444
Applicant : Sakhrat K. Khizroev et al.
Filed : October 24, 2000
Title : PERPENDICULAR RECORDING
: HEAD WITH TRACKWIDTH
: DEFINED BY PLATING THICKNESS
TC/A.U. : 2652
Examiner : David D. Davis
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 1, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute Group I (Claims 1-10 and 21-22) drawn to a perpendicular recording head. This election is made with traverse because the claims of non-elected Group II have already been examined by the USPTO, and their removal from prosecution at this late stage decreases efficiency and unnecessarily increases Applicants' cost of prosecution.

If it would facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (412) 263-4340.

Respectfully submitted,

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